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**МАТЕРИАЛЫ ДЛЯ ДИСТАНЦИОННОГО ОБУЧЕНИЯ**  
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**Лекция № 5**

**Тема: Колледжи в Англии/США/России.**

**Задания:**

- 1. Прочитайте текст и ответьте на вопросы**
- 2. Перевести текст на русский язык**
- 3. Написать 5 отличий русских колледжей от колледжей англоговорящих стран**

**Exercise 1. Read the text and answer the questions.**

In the UK, higher education (what Americans call "college") is known as "university." "College" actually has another meaning in the UK — it's where many students go for two years after completing compulsory schooling at 16 in order to prepare for exams to get into university. You can also take vocational courses at college.

University, or "uni" for short, is where British people go for a bachelor's degree.

British students only go to uni for three years to obtain a bachelor's degree, unlike the common American term of four years, according to US News and World Report. The shorter timeframe has its pro and cons — sure, you're done faster, but think about all of the fun and lack of responsibility you're missing out on for that last year. Personally, I wouldn't trade that for anything.

This might explain the popularity of the "gap year" among UK students — a year off before starting uni to travel, find themselves, and have fun. A gap year often leaves students with a rolodex of crazy party stories and, at least in my husband's case, an oddly large collection of bar crawl tank tops — or as the Brits call them, "vests."

In the UK, students apply to a university and a course (or in US terms, a major) at the same time, US News reports. So, there's no great existential debate over what you should study while in school. It's already settled before you move out of mom and dad's.

I may not have finished school on time in the UK, with my shift in major from music to international studies to French to communications. I have to side with the US on this one. What 18-year-old really knows what they want to be when they grow up?

The US/UK grading systems are way, way different. In the UK, the highest grade is called "first class honours" and is 70% and up.

There is no GPA like in the US — at least for now. Some UK institutions are currently experimenting with a US-style GPA, according to Insider Higher Ed.

You're probably thinking the UK sounds pretty great right now in terms of education. But there is one thing that no other country can compare to the US in — college sports!

Uni in the UK sports are nowhere near as big as college sports in the USA. First, UK professional athletes don't have to go to uni in order to play professionally. In the US,

players would generally never have the visibility needed to be recruited without college sports, The Economist reports.

While many UK universities have a variety of sports teams for students, the games generally aren't drawing crowds of over 100,000 people, like college football does in the US.

**Answers:**

- 1. What is "uni" mean?**
- 2. Why do the UK and the US colleges differ?**
- 3. How long do the US students study?**

### **Exercise 2. Translate into Russian.**

In 2014 the Pearson/Economist Intelligence Unit rated Russia's education as the 8th-best in Europe and the 13th-best in the world;<sup>[10]</sup> Russia's educational attainment was rated as the 21st-highest in the world, and the students' cognitive skills as the 9th-highest.

In 2015 the OECD ranked Russian students' mathematics and science skills as the 34th-best in the world, between Sweden and Iceland.

In 2016 the US company Bloomberg rated Russia's higher education as the third-best in the world, measuring the percentage of high-school graduates who go on to attend college, the annual science and engineering graduates as a percentage of all college graduates, and science and engineering graduates as a percentage of the labor force.

In 2014 Russia ranked as the 6th most-popular destination for international students.

Joseph Stiglitz, a former chief economist of the World Bank, has stated that one of the good things that Russia inherited from the Soviet era was "a high level of education, especially in technical areas so important for the New Economy"

### **Exercise 3.**

**Write down 5 different between Russian and English-speaking colleges.**